

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

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## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S595–S615*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2366–2376, and S. Res. 391. **Pages S612–13**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 118, to make exclusive the authority of the Federal Government to regulate the labeling of products made in the United States and introduced in interstate or foreign commerce, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–203)

S. 701, to improve the competitiveness of United States manufacturing by designating and supporting manufacturing communities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–204)

S. 1887, to grant expedited hiring authority to the head of an agency to appoint college graduates and post-secondary students, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 115–205) **Page S612**

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Kari's Law Act:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 582, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require multi-line telephone systems to have a configuration that permits users to directly initiate a call to 9–1–1 without dialing any additional digit, code, prefix, or post-fix, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S615**

McConnell (for Klobuchar) Amendment No. 1921, to modify the effective date. **Page S615**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. EX. 28), Andrei Iancu, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. **Pages S601–02, S615**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

John E. Whitley, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Seth Daniel Appleton, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Alan E. Cobb, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring November 22, 2023.

Joseph Ryan Gruters, of Florida, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

John L. Ryder, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2021.

Kirsten Dawn Madison, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs).

Eliot Pedrosa, of Florida, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank.

Charles E. Cook III, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

Kelly Higashi, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Shana Frost Matini, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

William R. Evanina, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center.

Patrick Hovakimian, of California, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for a term expiring September 30, 2020.

27 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

7 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy.

**Nominations Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Kathleen Hartnett White, of Texas, to be a Member of the Council on Environmental Quality, which was sent to the Senate on January 8, 2018.

Kathleen Troia McFarland, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, which was sent to the Senate on January 8, 2018. **Page S615**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S608**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S608**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Page S614**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S604–08**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S614–15**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—28) **Page S602**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:34 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S615.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 15 public bills, H.R. 4921–4935; 2 private bills, H.R. 4936–4937; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 128; H. Con. Res. 102–103; and H. Res. 723–724 were introduced. **Pages H782–83**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H784–85**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1778, to provide that an order by the Secretary of the Interior imposing a moratorium on Federal coal leasing shall not take effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–545); and

H. Res. 725, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 772) to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants and similar retail food establishments, and to amend the authority to bring proceedings under section 403A; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1153) to amend the Truth in Lending Act to improve upon the definitions provided for points and fees in connection with a mortgage transaction; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4771) to raise the consolidated assets threshold under the small bank holding company policy statement, and for other purposes; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–546). **Page H782**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Marshall to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H739**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H740**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 159 noes with one answering "present", Roll No. 52. **Pages H763–64**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:10 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H741**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Strengthening Protections for Social Security Beneficiaries Act of 2017:** H.R. 4547, amended, to amend titles II, VIII, and XVI of the Social Security Act to improve and strengthen the representative payment program, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 396 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 51; **Pages H741–49, H762–63**

**Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park Establishment Act:** H.R. 2888, to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri; **Pages H750–52**

**Ensuring fair treatment in licensing requirements for the export of certain echinoderms:** H.R.

2504, to ensure fair treatment in licensing requirements for the export of certain echinoderms; and

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**United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Extension Act:** H.R. 2646, amended, to reauthorize the United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Act of 2015.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, February 6th for Morning Hour debate.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 6:01 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative Michelle Lujan Grisham (NM) announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

**Western Area Power Administration Transparency Act:** H.R. 2371, to require the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration to establish a pilot project to provide increased transparency for customers;

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**Gateway Arch National Park Designation Act:** S. 1438, to redesignate the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in the State of Missouri as the “Gateway Arch National Park”;

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**Ukraine Cybersecurity Cooperation Act of 2017:** H.R. 1997, amended, to encourage United States-Ukraine cybersecurity cooperation and require a report regarding such cooperation;

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**War Crimes Rewards Expansion Act:** H.R. 3851, amended, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide for rewards for the arrest or conviction of certain foreign nationals who have committed genocide or war crimes; and

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**Swan Lake Hydroelectric Project Boundary Correction Act:** H.R. 219, to correct the Swan Lake hydroelectric project survey boundary and to provide for the conveyance of the remaining tract of land within the corrected survey boundary to the State of Alaska.

Pages H761–62

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H762–63. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### COMMON SENSE NUTRITION DISCLOSURE ACT OF 2017; MORTGAGE CHOICE ACT OF 2017; SMALL BANK HOLDING COMPANY RELIEF ACT OF 2018

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 772, the “Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act of 2017”; H.R. 1153, the “Mortgage Choice Act of 2017”; and H.R. 4771, the “Small Bank Holding Company Relief Act of 2018”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a closed rule for H.R. 772. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 2, the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1153 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. In section 3, the rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4771 under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–57 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. In section 4, the rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against any resolution reported through the legislative day of February 9, 2018. In section 5, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of February 8, 2018, or February 9, 2018, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules and that the

Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section. Testimony was heard from Chairman Hensarling, and Representatives Capuano, Guthrie, and Schakowsky.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a business meeting to consider the public disclosure of executive session material, and other matters. This meeting was closed.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D105)

S. 117, to designate a mountain peak in the State of Montana as “Alex Diekmann Peak”. Signed on January 31, 2018. (Public Law 115–122)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to receive a closed briefing on the National Defense Strategy, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine virtual currencies, focusing on the oversight role of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine data security and bug bounty programs, focusing on lessons learned from the Uber breach and security researchers, 3 p.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine S. 2182, to provide for the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini, and S. 2325, to incentivize the hiring of United States workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, 10 a.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the Administration’s South Asia strategy on Afghanistan, 10 a.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on improving college affordability, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security, to hold hearings to examine the “Gig Economy” and the future of retirement savings, 2:30 p.m., SD–430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine the cost to taxpayers of spending uncertainty caused by governing through continuing resolutions, giant omnibus spending bills, and shutdown crises, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine beneficial ownership, focusing on fighting illicit international financial networks through transparency, 10 a.m., SD–226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The State of the Rural Economy”, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The National Defense Strategy and the Nuclear Posture Review”, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled “Addressing Physiological Episodes in Fighter, Attack, and Training Aircraft”, 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “CBO Oversight: Economic Assumptions, Baseline Construction, Cost Estimating, and Scoring”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled “Reviewing the Policies and Priorities of the Mine Safety and Health Administration”, 1:30 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “DOE Modernization: Advancing the Economic and National Security Benefits of America’s Nuclear Infrastructure”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Annual Report of the Financial Stability Oversight Council”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S. Cyber Diplomacy in an Era of Growing Threats”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled “Syria: Which Way Forward?”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “U.S.-Pakistan Relations: Reassessing Priorities Amid Continued Challenges”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled “Ensuring Effective and Reliable Alerts and Warnings”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 835, the “Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument”; H.R. 857, to provide for conservation and enhanced recreation activities in the California Desert Conservation Area, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4895, the “Medgar Evers National Monument Act”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on H.R. 231, the “Canyon Village Land Conveyance Act”; and H.R. 4032, the “Gila River Indian Community Federal Rights-of-Way, Easements and Boundary Clarification Act”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1339, the “Freedom from Government Competition Act of 2017”; H.R. 4887, the “Grant Reporting Efficiency and Agreements Transparency (GREAT) Act of 2018”; legislation on the IG Subpoena Authority Act; H.R. 3076, the “Creating Advanced Streamlined Electronic Services (CASES) for Constituents Act of 2017”; H.R. 3398, the “REAL ID Act Modification for Freely Associated States Act”; H.R. 4631, the “Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act”; H.R. 4446, to amend the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission Act to extend the expiration date of the Commission, and for other purposes; H.R. 3183, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 13683 James Madison Highway in Palmyra, Virginia, as the “U.S. Navy Seaman Dakota Kyle Rigsby Post Office”; H.R. 3184, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 180 McCormick Road in Charlottesville, Virginia, as the “Captain Humayun Khan Post Office”; H.R. 4188, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 621 Kansas Avenue in Atchison, Kansas, as the “Amelia Earhart Post Office Building”; H.R. 4405, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4558 Broadway in New York, New York, as the “Stanley Michaels Post Office Building”; H.R. 4406, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 Macombs Place in New York, New York, as the “Tuskegee Airman Post Office Building”; H.R. 4463, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Doyers Street in New York, New York, as the “Mabel Lee Memorial Post Office”; H.R. 4646, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1900 Corporate Drive in Birmingham, Alabama, as the “Lance Corporal Thomas E. Rivers, Jr. Post Office Building”; and H.R. 4685, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 515 Hope Street in Bristol, Rhode Island, as the “First Sergeant P. Andrew McKenna Jr. Post Office”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “In Defense of Scientific Integrity: Examining the IARC Monograph Programme and Glyphosate Review”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “VA Caregiver Support Program: Correcting Course for Veteran Caregivers”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Opioid Crisis: Removing Barriers to Prevent and Treat Opioid Abuse and Dependence in Medicare”, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 6 through February 9, 2018

### Senate Chamber

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Armed Services*: February 6, to receive a closed briefing on the National Defense Strategy, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

February 7, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine defending the homeland, focusing on Department of Defense's role in countering weapons of mass destruction, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

February 7, Subcommittee on Airland, to hold hearings to examine Army modernization, 3:30 p.m., SR-222.

February 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Paul C. Ney, Jr., of Tennessee, to be General Counsel, Kevin Fahey, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Thomas E. Ayres, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense, and Lisa Gordon-Hagerty, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy, 10:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: February 6, to hold hearings to examine virtual currencies, focusing on the oversight role of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 10 a.m., SD-538.

February 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments for the Second Session of the 115th Congress, and the nominations of Jelena McWilliams, of Ohio, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors, and to be a Member of the Board of Directors, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Marvin Goodfriend, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Thomas E. Workman, of New York, to be a Member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, 11 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*: February 6, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine data security and bug bounty programs, focusing on lessons learned from the Uber breach and security researchers, 3 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*: February 6, to hold hearings to examine S. 2182, to provide for the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini, and S. 2325, to incentivize the hiring of United States workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, 10 a.m., SD-366.

February 7, Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 414 and H.R. 1107, bills to promote conservation, improve public land management, and provide for sensible development

in Pershing County, Nevada, S. 441, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of New Mexico, S. 507, to sustain economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to designate new areas for recreation, S. 612 and H.R. 1547, bills to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Tucson, Arizona, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversionary interest to the City, S. 1046, to facilitate certain pinyon-juniper related projects in Lincoln County, Nevada, to modify the boundaries of certain wilderness areas in the State of Nevada, and to fully implement the White Pine County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act, S. 1219 and H.R. 3392, bills to provide for stability of title to certain land in the State of Louisiana, S. 1222, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, S. 1481, to make technical corrections to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 1665 and H.R. 2582, bills to authorize the State of Utah to select certain lands that are available for disposal under the Pony Express Resource Management Plan to be used for the support and benefit of State institutions, S. 2062, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey at market value certain National Forest System land in the State of Arizona, S. 2206, to release certain wilderness study areas in the State of Montana, S. 2218, to provide for the conveyance of a Forest Service site in Dolores County, Colorado, to be used for a fire station, S. 2249, to permanently reauthorize the Rio Puerco Management Committee and the Rio Puerco Watershed Management Program, H.R. 995, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to modernize terms in certain regulations, and H.R. 1404, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, 10 a.m., SD-366.

February 8, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the evolution of energy infrastructure in the United States and how lessons learned from the past can inform future opportunities, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* February 7, business meeting to consider the nomination of Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

February 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the impact of Federal environmental regulations and policies on American farming and ranching communities, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* February 6, to hold hearings to examine the Administration's South Asia strategy on Afghanistan, 10 a.m., SD-419.

February 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 2286, to amend the Peace Corps Act to provide greater protection and services for Peace Corps volunteers, S. 2060, to promote democracy and human rights in Burma, S. Res. 92, expressing concern over the disappearance of David Sneddon, H.R. 1625, to amend the State

Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to include severe forms of trafficking in persons within the definition of transnational organized crime for purposes of the rewards program of the Department of State, H.R. 535, to encourage visits between the United States and Taiwan at all levels, and the nominations of Peter Hendrick Vrooman, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda, and Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Management), both of the Department of State, 4:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

February 7, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on Turkey, 5 p.m., SVC-217.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 6, to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on improving college affordability, 10 a.m., SD-430.

February 6, Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security, to hold hearings to examine the "Gig Economy" and the future of retirement savings, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

February 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the opioid crisis, focusing on the impact on children and families, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 6, Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine the cost to taxpayers of spending uncertainty caused by governing through continuing resolutions, giant omnibus spending bills, and shutdown crises, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

February 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Department of Homeland Security, focusing on positioning DHS to address new and emerging threats to the Homeland, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 6, to hold hearings to examine beneficial ownership, focusing on fighting illicit international financial networks through transparency, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1917, to reform sentencing laws and correctional institutions, and the nominations of Kurt D. Engelhardt, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Michael B. Brennan, of Wisconsin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Barry W. Ashe, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, Howard C. Nielson, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, James R. Sweeney II, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, Susan Paradise Baxter, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Daniel Desmond Domenico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, Adam I. Klein, of the District of Columbia, to be Chairman and Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, and John C. Anderson, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico, Brandon J. Fremin, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana, Joseph P. Kelly, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska, Scott W. Murray, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire, David C. Weiss, to be United States Attorney for the District of Delaware, David G. Jolley, to be

United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Tennessee, and Thomas M. Griffin, Jr., to be United States Marshal for the District of South Carolina, all of the Department of Justice, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* February 7, to hold hearings to examine S. 242, to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit veterans to grant access to their records in the databases of the Veterans Benefits Administration to certain designated congressional employees, S. 624, to allow servicemembers to terminate their cable, satellite television, and Internet access service contracts while deployed, S. 1072, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of services for homeless veterans, S. 2038, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a presumption of herbicide exposure for certain veterans who served in Korea, S. 2097, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the administration of State homes furnishing care to veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, S. 2105, to modify the presumption of service connection for veterans who were exposed to herbicide agents while serving in the Armed Forces in Thailand during the Vietnam era, S. 2107, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Under Secretary of Health to report major adverse personnel actions involving certain health care employees to the National Practitioner Data Bank and to applicable State licensing boards, S. 2131, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish medically necessary transportation for newborn children of certain women veterans, S. 2247, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a consistent eligibility date for provision of Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable, S. 2248, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain burial benefits for spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries, S. 2294, to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that individuals may access documentation verifying the monthly housing stipend paid to the individual under the

Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2304, to amend title 38, United States Code, to protect veterans from predatory lending, S. 2341, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processing of veterans benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recover overpayments made by the Department and other amounts owed by veterans to the United States, to improve the due process accorded veterans with respect to such recovery, S. 2357, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to review the processes and requirements of the Department of Veterans Affairs for scheduling appointments for health care and conducting consultations under the laws administered by the Secretary, an original bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish organ transplant care to veterans at non-Department of Veterans Affairs facilities, an original bill to provide additional protections for our veterans, an original bill to provide outer burial receptacles for remains buried in National Parks, and an original bill entitled "Department of Veterans Affairs Senior Executive Accountability Act of 2017", 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* February 6, to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

February 8, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* February 7, to hold hearings to examine cost and competition among rheumatoid arthritis therapies, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

### House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* February 7, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Senior Leader Misconduct: Prevention and Accountability", 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways And Means,* February 7, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled "Ensuring Social Security Serves America's Veterans", 9 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

# Résumé of Congressional Activity

## SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

### DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through January 31, 2018

|                                      | <i>Senate</i> | <i>House</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Days in session .....                | 19            | 17           | ..           |
| Time in session .....                | 130 hrs., 45' | 66 hrs., 36' | ..           |
| Congressional Record:                |               |              |              |
| Pages of proceedings .....           | 592           | 733          | ..           |
| Extensions of Remarks .....          | ..            | 121          | ..           |
| Public bills enacted into law .....  | 5             | 17           | 22           |
| Private bills enacted into law ..... | ..            | 1            | ..           |
| Bills in conference .....            | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Measures passed, total .....         | 23            | 56           | 79           |
| Senate bills .....                   | 6             | 4            | ..           |
| House bills .....                    | 4             | 33           | ..           |
| Senate joint resolutions .....       | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| House joint resolutions .....        | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Senate concurrent resolutions .....  | 1             | 1            | ..           |
| House concurrent resolutions .....   | 2             | 2            | ..           |
| Simple resolutions .....             | 10            | 16           | ..           |
| Measures reported, total .....       | *4            | 57           | 61           |
| Senate bills .....                   | 4             | 2            | ..           |
| House bills .....                    | ..            | 48           | ..           |
| Senate joint resolutions .....       | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| House joint resolutions .....        | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Senate concurrent resolutions .....  | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| House concurrent resolutions .....   | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Simple resolutions .....             | ..            | 7            | ..           |
| Special reports .....                | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Conference reports .....             | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Measures pending on calendar .....   | 177           | 27           | ..           |
| Measures introduced, total .....     | 118           | 230          | 348          |
| Bills .....                          | 92            | 177          | ..           |
| Joint resolutions .....              | ..            | 3            | ..           |
| Concurrent resolutions .....         | 2             | 4            | ..           |
| Simple resolutions .....             | 24            | 46           | ..           |
| Quorum calls .....                   | ..            | 2            | ..           |
| Yea-and-nay votes .....              | 27            | 38           | ..           |
| Recorded votes .....                 | ..            | 10           | ..           |
| Bills vetoed .....                   | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Veto overridden .....                | ..            | ..           | ..           |

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through January 31, 2018

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Civilian nominations, totaling 264 (including 145 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:     |       |
| Confirmed .....   | 13    |
| Unconfirmed .....   | 160   |
| Withdrawn .....   | 1     |
| Returned to White House .....   | 90    |
| Other Civilian nominations, totaling 577 (including 2 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows: |       |
| Confirmed .....   | 307   |
| Unconfirmed .....   | 261   |
| Returned to White House .....   | 9     |
| Air Force nominations, totaling 847 (including 76 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:     |       |
| Confirmed .....   | 228   |
| Unconfirmed .....   | 617   |
| Returned to White House .....   | 2     |
| Army nominations, totaling 146 (including 12 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:          |       |
| Confirmed .....   | 43    |
| Unconfirmed .....   | 103   |
| Navy nominations, totaling 22 (including 11 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:           |       |
| Confirmed .....   | 14    |
| Unconfirmed .....   | 7     |
| Returned to White House .....   | 1     |
| Marine Corps nominations, totaling 925, disposed of as follows:   |       |
| Confirmed .....   | 771   |
| Unconfirmed .....   | 154   |
| <i>Summary</i>  |       |
| Total nominations carried over from the First Session .....   | 246   |
| Total nominations received this Session .....   | 2,535 |
| Total confirmed .....   | 1,376 |
| Total unconfirmed .....   | 1,302 |
| Total withdrawn .....   | 1     |
| Total returned to the White House .....   | 102   |

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 4 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 57 reports have been filed in the House.



*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 6

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will be in a period of morning business until 12 noon.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Tuesday, February 6

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of H.R. 772—Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of H.R. 1153—Mortgage Choice Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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